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Dear Anthony,

Re: The proposed new Tobacco Act in Sweden

Please find enclosed a translation of Mr Bo Aulin's draft informal letter to the chairman of the Standing Committee on Social Questions. As you can see the draft is closely in line with the drafts earlier discussed.

According to Mr Aulin, he and the other persons invited to the hearing within the Committee on April 24th, 1993 were able to make statements of eight minutes each. Mr Aulin then put forward the views of the tobacco industry.

After the statements had been put forward a debate took place within the Committee. §§ 9, 15 and 17 § were not discussed except that one person made a short remark regarding Mr Nils Nord's motion regarding § 15. The legal expert Mr Lars Pehrson was able to answer questions regarding the legal problems which will arise if a prohibition regarding tobacco advertising is introduced.

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The issues discussed were mainly prohibition against advertising, age limit for buying tobacco and stricter rules regarding smoke free environments. The Committee is exposed to a heavy pressure of opinion from anti-smoke organizations regarding these issues.

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According to Mr Aulin, the Government's ambition still is to get the Bill through Parliament. Since many members of the Committee are tottering, there is however a possibility that there might be an additional proposal in line with what has been petitioned in the motions, i.e. that Parliament as its opinion shall reveal to the Government what has been stated in the motions regarding a prohibition against advertising, an age limit for buying tobacco products and stricter rules regarding smoke free environments and that the Government shall revert to Parliament with a Bill containing rules regarding these issues.

Please revert to us with your comments regarding Mr Aulin's draft.

Yours sincerely,

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